

thank her service. May God bless her and her family in the same way that she has been a blessing to us all.

RECOGNIZING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OUTBREAK OF THE KOREAN WAR

SPEECH OF

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, sixty years ago today, half a world away, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea invaded the Republic of Korea. Soon after, President Harry Truman committed American forces to assist the South Koreans. So began a struggle between those seeking freedom and those seeking to expand the dark shadow of communism. An estimated one hundred thousand Americans were wounded, fifty thousand killed, and five thousand missing in action during the conflict.

Korean War veterans are a unique class of Americans. Those who served their country during 1950 to 1953 were raised during the Depression and had experienced World War II, either in the military or on the home front. They grew up in a time of great patriotism—a time when words like duty, honor, and country carried great weight. When their tour of duty ended, most of them returned to the States with little fanfare, picked up their pre-war lives, and carried on.

In the eyes of history, the Korean War is often referred to as the "Forgotten War." But millions of Americans, including me, have not forgotten the heroism exhibited by the men and women who placed themselves in harm's way. Without their sacrifice, it is unlikely that South Korea would have become the free and prosperous nation that it is today. Therefore, I was honored to cosponsor H.J. Res. 86, which recognizes the 60th anniversary of the outbreak of the Korean War and reaffirms the U.S.-Korea Alliance. I'm pleased that this resolution recently passed the House by voice vote.

While we must not forget the past, we must also act swiftly and decisively in the present. In May, after the tragic sinking of the Cheonan, I cosponsored H. Res. 1382 to express sympathy for the families of those killed by North Korea, and solidarity with the Republic of Korea. As evidence of the U.S. commitment to defending the Republic of Korea, this Resolution passed with overwhelming bipartisan support. Tolerating continued North Korean hostility will only serve to weaken inter-Korean relations and result in the further destabilization of the region.

Despite the recently-renewed conflict, we should recognize that South Korea's progress is an encouragement and a model for other nations. After hostilities subsided in 1953, Korea was faced with the daunting task of recovering from the carnage and bloodshed of war. South Korea was an economically weak nation; in fact it was one of the poorest nations on earth. Yet today, the Republic of Korea has one of the most vibrant and successful export-oriented economies in the world. This historical record provides hope that, with our persistent efforts, both harmony

and prosperity are possible on the Korean Peninsula.

We must remember the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives so that South Korea could be the free and flourishing nation that it is today. In their honor, we continue the struggle for peace on the Korean Peninsula.

HONORING MARGARET DUNNING

HON. THADDEUS G. McCOTTER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 2010

Mr. McCOTTER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and acknowledge Miss Margaret Dunning, a remarkable Michigan citizen, upon her one hundredth birthday on June 26, 2010.

Miss Dunning was born on June 26, 1910, in Redford, Michigan to Charles and Bessie (Rattenbury) Dunning. Although Margaret was given little chance of survival when her mother experienced complications during her birth, Margaret has not only survived but thrived. Margaret attended the old Plymouth High School which now houses Central Middle School graduating in 1929. After attending the University of Michigan for two years, Margaret went on to study at the Hamilton School of Business in Ypsilanti.

Miss Dunning was employed at the Phoenix Mill Ford plant during the 1930s and also worked as a bank teller and assistant cashier in local Plymouth banks. Having devoted her time to the American Red Cross during World War II, Miss Dunning purchased Goldstein's Apparel in 1947 and renamed the store Dunning's, selling it after 20 years. Margaret still resides in the home on Penniman built by her mother.

Margaret Dunning's love of her community led her to become a major benefactor when the Plymouth Historical Society expressed their desire to build a permanent home. As the result of her generosity, a 15,000 square foot building now stands at the corner of Main and Wing in her beloved Plymouth. Miss Dunning championed the Plymouth Historical Society again when they expanded their museum and is a permanent member of the Historical Society's Board of Directors. She also was instrumental in the construction of the Dunning-Hough Library.

Margaret Dunning still enjoys a love of travel, particularly to Europe. She has a notable collection of classic cars stored in her garage, which she has affectionately dubbed Gasoline Alley. Margaret selects one of her prized automobiles every August to drive in the Woodward Dream Cruise.

Madam Speaker, for one hundred years Miss Margaret Dunning has graced the world with her kindness, hard work, and community spirit. Miss Dunning's attributes her longevity to enjoying and participating in the beautiful world around her. Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Miss Margaret Dunning upon reaching her one hundredth birthday on June 26, 2010, and to honor her commitment to her community and her country.

IN HONOR OF BILL RAMSEY

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 2010

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a modern agriculture pioneer, Mr. Bill Ramsey of Salinas, California, on the occasion of his recognition by the Grower-Shipper Association of Central California with its E.E. "Gene" Harden Award for Lifetime Achievement. Bill is a quiet, unassuming, and humble man. One would know by looking at him that he is a giant among men for his business and civic leadership.

Beginning in the 1960s, when he assumed key leadership positions within the Mann Packing produce company, Bill helped lead the growth of the U.S. fresh produce industry. Alongside his business partner and friend, the late Don Nucci, Bill helped expand the U.S. market for broccoli and all manner of value added and ready to eat fresh produce. If you have ever eaten broccoli, you can credit Bill's leadership with helping to get it to your plate fresh, safe, and at a reasonable price.

Mr. Ramsey's peers in the agricultural industry have recognized him in several ways. Mr. Ramsey served as both the Chairman of the Board of Western Growers Association and as President of the Grower-Shipper Association of Central California. Mr. Ramsey has also been honored as the Salinas Jaycees Outstanding Young Farmer, as well as receiving the Harden Award which recognizes leadership qualities, devotion to the betterment of the agricultural industry, community service, and those with a high level of ethics and integrity.

Mr. Ramsey's devotion to his community goes well beyond the agricultural aspects. His contributions to the community of Salinas include being the President of the Salinas City School District Board of Trustees, Founder and Chairman of Valley of the World Awards for the National Steinbeck Center, Director of the California Rodeo, Distinguished Fellow (Agriculture) of CSU Monterey Bay, YMCA, Boys & Girls Club, Sun Street Center, and Salinas Rotary (Rotarian of the Year). Bill Ramsey has also honored his country by serving in the United States Navy.

Madam Speaker, I hope my fellow members of the House will join me in honoring Bill Ramsey for his many contributions to the agricultural industry, his local community, and his country. And while Bill will not hesitate to credit those around him for his success, it is appropriate that our Nation recognize what an important contribution that he has made to our health, economy, and culture.

TRIBUTE TO MONSIGNOR PAUL V. GARRITY

HON. JOHN F. TIERNEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 24, 2010

Mr. TIERNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Monsignor Paul V. Garrity. For the past eighteen years, Monsignor Garrity has served as the pastor of St. Mary's Church in Lynn, Massachusetts. During those years, his contributions,